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Sham has received no invitation up to this time.

Judge Taft, it is believed, would be glad to secure the service of John C. Spooner as Attorney-General, but it is understood that the post of Secretary of State is the only one which would have tempted the ex-Senator.

There is some reason to believe that Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio, will be appointed Secretary of the Treasury, although no announcement of any Ohio appointment to the Cabinet is likely to be made for some time.

WRIGHT WILL REMAIN

"Uncle Jimmy" Wilson May Also Break the Cabinet Record.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) AUGUSTA, A. D., December 19.—It is practically certain now that General Luke E. Wright will remain as Secretary of War in the Taft Cabinet. General Wright, as a member of the Roosevelt Cabinet, was virtually a man of Mr. Taft's selection. Mr. Taft recommended him to be his successor. Mr. Taft wants the South to have at least one man in his Cabinet, and General Wright will undoubtedly be the representative.

It is said that Mr. Taft intends to keep "Uncle Jimmy" Wilson as Secretary of Agriculture. It is doubtful if Mr. Wilson will remain through the four years of the Taft administration. It is said that Secretary Wilson's au-

bition is to break the record for length of Cabinet service. This he will be able to do by remaining in the Taft Cabinet.

Those who have come forward with candidates for Secretary of Agriculture have found that Mr. Taft is disposed to leave Mr. Wilson at the head of that post for at least as long as he desires to stay.

With the exception of these two positions there will be probably an entirely new Cabinet. Mr. Taft has not heard when Senator Knox will be here, but he will probably come the early part of next week. It is said that the Taft Cabinet will have been pretty definitely settled by the time the Senator leaves.

Mr. Taft said to-day that the Treasury portfolio is still open. Ex-Governor Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio, and Postmaster-General George W. L. Meyer are the most promising possibilities. It is known that Mr. Herrick was being seriously considered by Mr. Taft before he offered the post to Theodore Burton. Now that Burton has been thrown overboard, the chances are that the appointment will go to the other Ohioan.

Mr. Taft had no visitors to-day. He spent the day on the golf links and in his office going over the mail. When asked in regard to the report that he would call the extra session of Congress on March 10th, he said that he had not yet made up his mind as to the date. He would do nothing, he added, without first consulting the Republican leaders in Congress.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Taft went to the Grand Theatre and saw James K. Hackett in "The Prisoner of Zenda." As the Taft party entered the theatre the orchestra played "America," and the entire audience arose.

Cheers followed, and Mr. Taft bowed his acknowledgments.

THE TOGA OF KNOX

Believed an Agreement on His Successor Has Been Reached.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 19.—There is good reason to believe that an agreement has already been reached whereby Representative James Francis Burke, of Pittsburgh, shall succeed Philander C. Knox in the United States Senate when Mr. Knox retires to accept the office of Secretary of State in the Taft Cabinet.

Mr. Oliver, of Pittsburgh, who wants to represent his State in the Senate, was in conference with Mr. Knox and Mr. Burke at the subject of the resignation of Mr. Oliver was to discuss the senatorship, and said: "I don't know that I shall be a candidate for the place, but the chances are that I shall be."

It is generally conceded by Pennsylvanians here that if the State postmasters present one of the House members to the Senate, the honor will go either to Representative John Dalzell or Representative Burke. Mr. Dalzell made a formal announcement of his candidacy to-day.

TIMES-STAR'S PREDICTION

Augusta Special Given Names of All Members of the Cabinet.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CINCINNATI, O., December 19.—The Times-Star, Charles P. Taft's newspaper, this afternoon printed the following special dispatch from Augusta, Ga.:

Cabinet slate—Secretary of State, Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania; Secretary of the Treasury, Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio; Attorney-General, George W. Wickersham, of New York; Secretary of War, Charles M. Smith, of New York; Secretary of the Navy, John D. Long, of New York; Secretary of the Interior, Richard A. Ballinger, of Seattle, Wash.; Postmaster-General, Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts; Secretary of Agriculture, the present secretary, James Wilson; Secretary of Commerce and Labor, George A. Knight, of California.

When Charles P. Taft's attention was called to-night to the apparent "inspiration" of the dispatch from Augusta, he said: "I don't get all of the real facts involved. I presume part of the list of names at least is all right. I know the correspondent who sent the dispatch is alert and reliable."

TO RELIEVE HURLEY

Representative Sloop Introduces Bill Which Is Regarded as Unique.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 19.—

Representative C. Bascom Sloop had passed through the House a bill to relieve Mr. S. R. Hurley by paying him \$10 out of the United States Treasury. Several years ago Mr. Hurley killed a moonshiner who was in the act of slaying a revenue officer, who had deputized Hurley to help him make certain arrests. For the killing of the man

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HAZARDS OF OFFICE

Senator Bourne Says President's Tenure of Life Has Decreased.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Explaining his bill increasing the salary of the president and vice-president, Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., of Oregon, to-day said that, aside from all sentiment in the matter, he is of opinion that the man who is big enough to be president of the United States, the biggest corporation in the world, is certainly as big in the business of government as a railroad president or the manager of a manufacturing combination. He should be paid, as a business proposition, what the demands of the position indicate as a fair compensation.

He declared that he would also make the extra hazardous risk of the position as a basis for the Justice of his bill. He said that while the salary of 19-day's business manager is measured by the magnitude of the enterprise as well as his fitness, the president's salary has never been as relatively adequate proportion to the mental and physical work and worry of the position, which are annually increasing.

"The president is charged," he said, "with graver and greater responsibilities than any other persons in the world. The cares, attentiveness, alertness and elimination of personal interest necessary for good service are a continuous and terrific strain on the mind and physical vigor of the chief executive."

The tenure of life of the presidents since and including the elder Harrison has decreased perceptibly.

NEW DRY DOCK

One at Hawaii Largest Ever Constructed by the United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Interesting data made public at the bureau of yards and docks of the navy regarding the proposed dry dock at the Federal harbor, Hawaii, naval station is that its overall length will be 1,105 feet, the largest ever constructed by the American government. An innovation, so far as American docks are concerned, is the construction of four caisson seats for dividing the main structure into an inner and outer dock. There will be two steel caisson gates and arrangements will be such that with a ship in the inner dock, the outer may be filled and emptied independently, thus allowing the ship upon which the most extensive repairs are to be made to remain in the inner dock, while ships needing minor repairs are being docked in rapid succession in the outer dock. By floating the inner caisson length than any now in existence or planned could be docked.

By a trapezoidal form of head arrangements will be such that three torpedo boat destroyers may be docked side by side extending to the very head end of the dock, leaving room for three other small craft in the inner dock. Tide conditions at Pearl harbor are such that the battleship may enter the dock at any stage.

WADDILL HOLDS COURT.

He Sits at Wilmington in the Absence of Judge Farnell.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILMINGTON, N. C., December 19.—After a delay of several months, the United States District and Circuit Court held its fall term here this week. In the absence of Judge Thomas R. Farnell, His Honor, Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., of Virginia, presided, and made a deep impression upon the lawyers of the district. In fact, he has been pronounced one of the best judges who has held court in this city. His charge to the grand jury was clear, logical and thorough. The District Court was devoted mostly to the trial of offenses against the revenue and postal laws. In the former class the usual types of moonshiners and illegal retailers were arrayed, including sev-

eral white women, while in the latter came two youths, one white and one colored, and each received a sentence of one year in the penitentiary. The saddest of the two cases was that of D. D. Coleman, a young white man, aged eighteen years, who was caught in the act of rifling the post-office box of a bank at Chadbourn, N. C. He sought the mercy of the court, and it was shown that his training in life had not been moral, and that he had never had a chance in this life. The case evidently put him at the heartstrings of Judge Waddill, and he imposed the minimum penalty upon the youthful offender in order to "give him a chance."

The entire time of the Circuit Court was taken up in trial of a suit brought by a resident of Southport, N. C., T. M. Thompson, Jr., for possession of about 300 acres of land, now occupied by the government as an army post. Plaintiff claims that it is his land. The suit was brought to eject Major H. F. Harmon, U. S. A., who at the time the suit was in command of the fort. Of course, the suit is really against the government, and the government brought all its powerful machinery to bear in defense of the action. Witnesses over fourscore years of age were introduced to establish the title to the land, and in deeds centuries old were also offered in evidence.

INSURGENTS JUBILANT

Satisfied With Progress They Have Made in Fight in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The insurgents against the present rules of the house are leaving Washington for their homes jubilant over the progress that they have made in stirring up an insurrection in the ruling ranks. They will tell their constituents that before the end of the session the rules will be amended.

One of the insurgents expressed himself to-day in certain that at least one change will be made in the rules. He said that he believed that there would be no opposition to it at a republican caucus. The amendment will provide for the setting aside of a day for the call of the committee on bills on both the union calendar and on the house calendar.

Some of the most optimistic claim that it is all that is necessary to get relief from the present rules. A call of the committee would enable members to get before the house for consideration important bills of various kinds. It is urged, and would relieve the speaker of liability to charge of preventing legislation which was demanded by the people. In so much as the house would have an opportunity to pass on the bills in the course of a short period, surely during a session of congress, the packing of a committee against a bill would have no other effect than the influence of the opinion of its members upon those who had not investigated the subject thoroughly.

It is acknowledged by some of the leaders of the insurgents that the only hope of amending the rules lies in the action of the minority. Ever since congress convened, conferences from the insurgents have been in conference with the democrats. The new minority leader, Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, does not feel himself warranted in saying in binding the party to any program, until he sees how the republicans will line up.

He objects to forming an alliance with

the insurgents which he fears may eventually be broken when the majority of them recognize they are losing, and "leave the democrats holding the bag while the republicans would get all the glory."

"The minority is willing to stand for an amendment of the rules, it is understood, in accordance with the platform of the Denver convention, but it would like to get just as much credit as possible for the reform."

CENSUS CLERKS

Will Be Appointed Through Congressional Patronage, as Heretofore.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The appointment of clerks and other employees needed for work on the thirteenth national census will be congressional patronage, as in the case of taking previous censuses. Senator Long, chairman of the committee on census, to-day reported to the senate the house bill providing for non-competitive examinations to be held throughout the country by means of the civil service machinery, but based on a form of examination to be prescribed by Director North, of the census, and confined to persons designated by senators and representatives.

Members of the civil service commission contended for use of their classified lists.

but the senate committee on census, in its report, followed the lines laid down in the bill passed by the house. There are about 2,500 places to be filled, and the bill will prescribe that preferences shall be given to persons who participated in previous censuses.

The positions will continue about three years. The senate committee adopted a new section providing for the purchase of the property now used as quarters for the census bureau of an abandoned school building adjoining at a limit of cost of \$100,000.

Provision is made also for the construction of new buildings not to exceed \$100,000 in cost.

Going to Panama.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 19.—The fourteen members of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, who are going to Panama to investigate the canal work, will suit from Charleston, S. C., on Monday, December 21st, on the Panama line steamer Alliance, which leaves New York December 19th. The members will go to Charleston by rail. They will reach Colon on January 1st, and will spend four or five days on the isthmus. The arrangements for their return have not been made, but they will leave in time to be back in Washington on January 14th.

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Fruit Cake,

Plum Pudding,

Home-Made Mince Meat,

Gelatinés,

Oranges,

Tangerines,

Pineapples,

Grape Fruit,

Malaga Grapes,

Comport,

Lemons,

Cranberries,

Glaze Fruits—

In fancy boxes, assorted and plain.

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Brandy Figs,

Brandy Cherries,

Brandy Melange,

Marachino Fruits,

Picked Fruits,

Queen Olives,

Stuffed Olives,

Pitted Olives,

Edam Cheese,

Roquefort Cheese,

Pineapple Cheese,

Camendart Cheese,

De Brie Cheese,

Neufchatel Cheese,

Philadelphia Cream Cheese.

Canned Goods

California Peaches,

Bartlett Pears,

Apricots,

White Cherries,

Red Cherries,

Green and Yellow Plums,

Sliced Peaches,

Pineapples,

Strawberries,

Raspberries.

Canned Vegetables

Peas,

Asparagus,

Asparagus Tips,

Refugret Beans,

Baked Beans,

Beets,

Butterbeans,

Succotash,

Corn,

Squash,

Spinach,

Pumpkin,

Sweet Potatoes,

Sauerkraut,

Mushrooms,

Haricots,

Artichoke,

Brussel Sprouts,

Mecedore,

Flagelots.

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Mountain Whiskies,

Irish Whiskies,

Bourbon Whiskies,

Scotch Whiskies,

Malt Whiskies,

Sherry Wines,

Port Wines,

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Anglica Wines,

Tokay Wines,

Scuppernon Wines,

Catawba Wines,

Rhine Mosell Wines,

Fantun,

Claret Wines,

Burgundys,

Cables,

Champagnes,

Sparkling Moscell,

Cognac,

Rums,

Ararc,

Fruit Brandies,

Rock and Rye,

Cordials,